Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Mount Rushmore, one of our country's most recognizable and awe-inspiring national shrines, owes its existence to two great Americans: Gutzon and Lincoln Borglum; and,

WHEREAS, Of the two, Lincoln holds the distinction of being the only human being to be involved in this monumental project from start to finish; and,

WHEREAS, Born on April 9, 1912, in Stanford, Connecticut, Lincoln was inseparable from his famous father. At the age of thirteen, Lincoln was with Gutzon when the renowned sculptor selected the mountain that the world would come to cherish as Mount Rushmore; and,

WHEREAS, From that day on, Lincoln dedicated his life to his father, and to the pursuit of their lofty dream. Sacrificing a college education and any hope for personal career advancements, Lincoln worked for years without pay in hopes that someday his father's vision would become a reality; and,

WHEREAS, In the late thirties, with funds running low, Lincoln stuck with his father and became foreman over the entire project. When Gutzon died in March of 1941, Lincoln stayed on until the sculpting was deemed complete, and in October, 1941, he became the first superintendent for this world famous national park; and,

WHEREAS, Lincoln is a man of great conviction and courage. Working side by side, Gutzon and Lincoln Borglum contributed an enduring work that illustrates brilliantly our country's overwhelming patriotism and pride. We owe a great deal to these men for carving in stone the message of liberty that all Americans feel in their hearts:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 4, 1983, as

LINCOLN BORGLUM DAY

In South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, In Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of April, In the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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